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**Re: United States et al v. Rico Development Corporation et al
United States District Court Case #99-MK-1386 Denver**

Dear Sheldon:

During the recent deposition of Stanley A. Foster, you inquired as to the status of historic mining records in my client's possession. You requested that my client confirm in writing that the mining records would remain in storage and safe keeping for at least two (2) more years.

Last week I, along with Stanley A. Foster, I had occasion to inspect the historic mining records being stored at 11 South Glasgow Avenue, Rico, Colorado. All of the mining records are kept in a separate room in the Burleigh Building, Rico, Colorado.

Mr. Foster authorized me to confirm in writing that the mining records currently stored at 11 South Glasgow Avenue, Rico, Colorado, would remain on site and in storage for at least two (2) more years. If my client relocates its offices, arrangements will be made for the continued storage of the records. My client will not release or move the records without first giving your office written notice.

Should you have any questions, please advise.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Stanley Foster, Manager
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